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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM SENATOR PELL

PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO SECRETARY VANCE AND
SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER ANDREI GROMYKO:

1. "ON THE OCCASION OF YOUR SIGNATURE OF THE CONVENTION ON
THE PROHIBITION OF MILITARY OR ANY OTHER HOSTILE USE OF
ENVIRONMENTAL MODIFICATION TECHNIQUES, I WISH TO CONGRATU-
LATE THE UNITED STATES AND SOVIET GOVERNMENTS FOR THE ROLE
THEY HAVE PLAYED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS IMPORTANT IN-
TERNATIONAL AGREEMENT.

2. "I RECALL WITH GREAT PRIDE AND PERSONAL SATISFACTION
THAT ON JULY 11, 1973, THE UNITED STATES SENATE, BY A VOTE
OF 82-10, ADOPTED A RESOLUTION OF MINE CALLING FOR THE
NEGOTIATION OF SUCH A TREATY. I WAS ACCORDINGLY PLEASED
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THAT EVENTUALLY, ON AUGUST 21, 19Y5, REPRESENTATIVES OF
THE UNITED STATES AND THE SOVIET UNION TABLED IDENTICAL
TEXTS OF A DRAFT CONVENTION FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE
CONFERENCE OF THE COMMITTEE ON DISARMAMENT. IT OUGHT TO
BE A SOURCE OF GREAT SATISFACTION TO BOTH GOVERNMENTS THAT
THE TEXT THAT FINALLY EMERGED FROM THE CONFERENCE WAS AP-

PROVED BY THE UNITED NATION'S GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON
DECEMBER 3, 1976 BY A 96-8-30 VOTE.

3. "WITH THE ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THIS TREATY, ALL
SIGNIFICANT HOSTILE USES OF ENVIRONMENTAL MODIFICATION
TECHNIQUES WILL BE PROHIBITED, THUS SPARING FUTURE GENERA-
TIONS FROM THE EFFECTS OF NEW AND POSSIBLY MORE DEVASTATING
WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION. IN THIS CONNECTION, I WISH TO
APPLAUD SECRETARY OF STATE VANCE'S STATEMENT THAT THE
RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES OF THE UNITED STATES,
AS WELL AS ITS EMPLOYMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNIQUES,
WILL BE DEDICATED SOLELY TO PEACEFUL ENDS. I AM ALSO
PLEASED THAT THE UNITED STATES IS PREPARED TO RE-EXAMINE,
AT THE REVIEW CONFERENCE OR POSSIBLY EARLIER, THE PROVISION
IN THE CONVENTION RESTRICTING THE PROHIBITION TO THOSE CASES
INVOLVING 'WIDESPREAD, LONG-LASTING, OR SEVERE' EFFECTS.
IT IS MY HOPE THAT THERE WILL BE A GENERAL WILLINGNESS TO
REVIEW THE NEED FOR THOSE LIMITING CRITERIA.

4. "THE COOPERATION BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE
SOVIET UNION WHICH MARKED THE NEGOTIATION OF THIS CONVEN-
TION HAS BEEN A SIGNIFICANT AND CONSTRUCTIVE ENDEAVOR IN
THE FIELD OF ARMS CONTROL. HOPEFULLY, THAT COOPERATION
WILL CONTINUE TO CHARACTERIZE RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO
COUNTRIES IN OTHER ARMS CONTROL NEGOTIATIONS.

"CLAIBORNE PELL
CHAIRMAN
SUBCOMMITTEE ON ARMS CONTROL, OCEANS AND INTERNATIONAL
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